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1. Facilities sufficient to house an army-level unit have been identified in Shensi Province, Lan-chou Military Region, [REDACTED]

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2. Located along the Wei Ho (river) valley northeast of Hsi-an, the facilities encompass an area totaling nearly 3,000 square nautical miles. Facilities are centered around three divisional areas: Pu-cheng, Yao-hsien, and Wei-nan, with army-level headquarters elements probably at Lin-tung (Figure 1 and Table 1).

3. Although the initial observation of construction varies within each divisional area, a general time frame of July to October 1972 appears common to each. All of the division areas exhibit an unusual, although not unique, construction technique, in that approximately 75 percent of the buildings have been emplaced into sides of ravines and are partially underground (PUG). This construction technique may be the result of a desire to protect and hide facilities, or it may be an extensive effort to preserve the valuable cropland of the Wei River valley, or both (Figure 2).

4. The division at Wei-nan is housed in nine military areas comprising four regiments. Construction of most of the facilities began during mid-1972 and is now nearly complete.

5. Five military areas, four of which are regimental in size, comprise the division at Yao-hsien. Although construction in some areas began in mid-1972, some was begun as late as July 1973 and is still incomplete.

6. Elements of the division at Pu-cheng are housed in six areas, four of which are regimental in size. Similar to the division at Yao-hsien, construction in the Pu-cheng area began generally in mid-1972, although several areas are still incomplete.

7. The army-level headquarters elements appear to be housed at two installations: Lin-tung Army Barracks AL 1 and Lin-tung Army Barracks AL 2. These barracks areas basically are standard-type aboveground army barracks dating to November 1968. Several PUG buildings were added to existing facilities after mid-1972.

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Table 1. Lan-chou Military Region (Keyed to Figure 1)

Name	Size	Facilities
PU-CHENG DIVISION AREA		
1 Cheng-cheng Bks Area 35-10-56N 109-56-53E	Regimental	88 bldgs PUG 1 auditorium 11 support bldgs
2 Pai-shui Bks Area 1 35-08-34N 109-40-39E	Regimental	99 bldgs PUG 2 messhalls 1 auditorium 9 support bldgs
3 Pai-shui Bks Area 35-07-00N 109-35-30E	Battalion	28 barracks 10 quarters 1 multistory admin bldg 3 messhalls 26 other bldgs
4 Pu-cheng Maintenance Area 34-57-15N 109-29-50E	Battalion	3 barracks 6 vehicle maintenance bldgs 6 storage bldgs
5 Pu-cheng Military Area 34-56-25N 109-30-25E	Regimental	Approx 40 bldgs PUG 2 admin bldgs 3 messhalls 17 other bldgs
6 Hsing-shih-chen Military Area 34-53-50N 109-23-45E	Regimental	67 bldgs PUG 25 other bldgs
YAO-HSIEN DIVISION AREA		
7 Tung-chuan Military Area 35-05-24N 109-04-22E	Regimental	50 bldgs PUG 1 auditorium 7 other bldgs
8 Huang-pu Military Area 34-59-25N 109-00-43E	Battalion	22 barracks 19 other bldgs
9 Yao-hsien Army Bks 34-56-00N 108-57-00E	Regimental	67 bldgs PUG
10 Yao-hsien Military Area 34-49-40N 108-59-59E	Regimental	54 bldgs PUG
11 Yen-liang-chen Military Area PUG 34-41-10N 109-12-15E	Regimental	109 bldgs PUG 1 auditorium 15 other bldgs
WEI-NAN DIVISION AREA		
12 Wei-nan Military Area 2 34-25-50N 109-17-30E	Battalion	17 bldgs PUG
13 Wei-nan Military Area 3 34-24-50N 109-19-25E	Battalion	27 bldgs PUG 11 storage/support bldgs 5 caves
14 Wei-nan Military Area 4 34-26-30N 109-19-00E	Regimental	53 bldgs PUG 22 other bldgs 1 auditorium
15 Wei-nan Military Area 9 34-28-45N 109-25-20E	Company	11 bldgs PUG 10 other bldgs
16 Wei-nan Military Area 7 34-25-40N 109-24-15E	Regimental	40 bldgs PUG 11 quarters 3 barracks 1 auditorium 1 repair bldg
17 Wei-nan Military Area 1 34-29-05N 109-30-50E	Regimental	65 bldgs PUG 16 barracks 48 storage/support bldgs 4 admin 1 audit 2 messhalls
18 Wei-nan Military Area 10 34-24-50N 109-38-55E	Poss battalion	10 bldgs PUG 40 vehicle/equip storage caves
19 Wei-nan Military Area 5 34-23-25N 109-37-30E	Battalion	36 bldgs PUG
20 Wei-nan Military Area 6 34-23-00N 109-40-40E	Battalion	32 bldgs PUG 17 barracks 7 storage/support bldg 1 auditorium 1 messhall
LIN-TUNG HEADQUARTERS AREA		
21 Lin-tung Army Bks AL 2 34-22-23N 109-12-02E	Regimental	94 barracks 13 admin bldgs 53 storage/support bldgs
22 Lin-tung Army Bks AL 1 34-21-55N 109-12-56E	Regimental	36 barracks 4 quarters 8 admin bldgs 2 auditoriums 1 school/hospital 43 other bldgs 10 bldgs PUG

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